AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (previously presented) A processing system comprising:
 - a processor that is adapted to write compressed data;
 - a volatile memory device coupled to communicate with the processor;
- a non-volatile memory device coupled to receive the compressed data from the processor, the non-volatile memory device further connected to transfer data to the volatile memory device over a dedicated bus without intervention by another device; and
- a decompression circuit provided in the non-volatile memory device to decompress the data being transferred to the volatile memory device.
- 2. (original) The processing system of claim 1 wherein the volatile memory device initiates the data transfer.
- 3. (original) The processing system of claim 1 wherein the non-volatile memory device is a flash memory device.
- 4. (original) The processing system of claim 1 wherein the processor is coupled to store compressed data in the volatile memory device.
- 5. (original) The processing system of claim 1 wherein volatile memory device is a dynamic random access memory.
- 6. (previously presented) A processing system comprising:
 - a processor that is adapted to write compressed data;
- a synchronous memory device coupled to communicate with the processor via a synchronous bus;
- a flash memory device coupled to receive the compressed data from the processor via a serial bus and communicate with the synchronous memory device, wherein the flash memory device transfers data to the synchronous memory device over a dedicated bus without intervention by another device; and
- a decompression circuit provided in the flash memory device to decompress the data while transferring to the synchronous memory device.

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- 7. (original) The processing system of claim 6 wherein the synchronous memory device initiates the data transfer.
- 8. (original) The processing system of claim 7 wherein the synchronous memory device provides a system reset signal to the processor after the data is transferred from the flash memory device.
- 9. (original) The processing system of claim 6 wherein the synchronous memory device is an SDRAM.
- 10. (original) The processing system of claim 6 wherein the synchronous memory device is an RDRAM.
- 11 15 (cancelled)
- 16. (previously presented) A processor system power-up method comprising:

 detecting a power-up condition with a reset controller and providing a reset signal to a synchronous memory;

using the synchronous memory, initiating a data transfer, over a dedicated bus without intervention by another device, from a flash memory that comprises a decompression capability to the synchronous memory in response to the reset signal;

using the decompression capability of the flash memory, decompressing data stored in the flash memory while transferring the data to the synchronous memory; and

providing a system reset signal from the synchronous memory to a processor after the data has been transferred.

- 17. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein the synchronous memory is coupled to the processor via a synchronous bus.
- 18. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein the synchronous memory is coupled to the processor via a synchronous bus.

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19. (previously presented) A method of loading a synchronous dynamic random access memory (SDRAM) comprising:

using the SDRAM, initiating a data transfer from a flash memory to the synchronous dynamic random access memory over a dedicated bus without intervention by another device; and

decompressing data stored in the flash memory while transferring the data to the synchronous dynamic random access memory; and

providing a system reset signal from the SDRAM to a processor after the data has been transferred.

20. (previously presented) A method of loading a synchronous rambus dynamic random access memory (RDRAM) comprising:

using the RDRAM, initiating a data transfer from a flash memory, comprising a decompression capability, to the synchronous rambus dynamic random access memory in response to the reset signal, the data transfer occurring over a dedicated bus between the flash memory and the synchronous rambus dynamic random access memory without intervention by another device;

using the decompression capability, decompressing data stored in the flash memory while transferring the data to the synchronous rambus dynamic random access memory; and

providing a system reset signal from the RDRAM to a processor after the data has been transferred.